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## Speaker's Task Force on Foster Care to Hold First Hearing

Committee will meet in Madison to hear from a number of organizations

**MADISON** –The Speaker's Task Force on Foster Care is set to hold its first informational hearing this Thursday, July 27, 2017. The committee will hear from a number of organizations that are involved in the foster care system.

"I am excited to begin the work the committee was tasked with: finding real solutions to the challenges facing those involved in the foster care system," said Snyder. "Before we hit the road, it is important to hear from the experts in this field."

The task force will gather input from a variety of groups, including the Department of Children and Families, regarding the struggles they encounter while working in the child welfare system. Following testimony, committee members will have the opportunity to ask questions.

"This informational hearing is a great way to kick off our tour of the state," said Doyle. "Hearing from these organizations will provide the members with an abundance of information from a wide variety of perspectives."

Following the informational hearing, the task force will make stops throughout the state to gather input from local experts and organizations.

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A copy of the committee hearing notice: <u>http://docs.legis.wisconsin.gov/raw/cid/1394663</u>